



Florida

Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles

Division of Motorist Services

PROCEDURE VSRS-10	SUBJECT: AMPHIBIOUS VESSELS	
DESCRIPTION AND USE: THIS PROCEDURE PROVIDES INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS TO ASSIST TAX COLLECTOR EMPLOYEES, LICENSE PLATE AGENTS AND THE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAY SAFETY AND MOTOR VEHICLES <u>IN THE ISSUANCE OF AMPHIBIOUS VESSEL REGISTRATIONS.</u>		
<p>I. PROVISIONS OF LAW:</p> <p>Section 328.48(2), Florida Statutes, requires each vessel operated, used or stored on the waters of this state to be registered either as a commercial or recreational vessel as defined in Section 327.02, Florida Statutes unless it meets one of the exemptions set forth in Section 328.48(2), Florida Statutes. Refer to VSRS-14, Vessel Registration Exemptions, for a complete list of vessel registration exemptions.</p> <p>Section 328.03(1)(g), Florida Statutes, exempts amphibious vessels from being issued a vessel title if a motor vehicle title has been issued.</p> <p>II. DOCUMENTATION AND SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:</p> <p>A. If an amphibious vessel is not required to be issued a motor vehicle title, it must be registered and titled as a vessel.</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Assign a Florida registration number and issue a registration certificate and a decal.</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">For instructions on vessel titling procedures, see Procedure TL-10.</p> <p>B. If the amphibious vessel has a motor vehicle title and needs to be registered as a vessel, submit the following to the tax collector's office or license plate agency:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Form HSMV 87244, "Application to Register Non-Titled Vessels", accurately completed. Attach a copy of the motor vehicle title to the application.</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Assign a Florida registration number and issue a registration certificate and decal (commercial and recreational).</p>		
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